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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

Applicants : Hansen, et al.

Appln. No. : 10/561,823

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Title : METHOD OF PRODUCING A

LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT ORGANIC COMPOUND IN A

CELL

Confirmation No: 5908

Group Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: Michele K. Joike

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114 INCLUDING AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 5, 2009, the term for response to which is hereby being extended one month under 37 CFR 1.136 by payment of the requisite fee and by this petition therefor, and in response to the Advisory Action dated January 29, 2010, Applicants submit this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 with the herein amendment and response to the Final Office Action. Please consider the attached Affidavits and the following claim cancellations and Remarks in placing this case in condition for allowance or in better form for consideration on appeal.

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Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.